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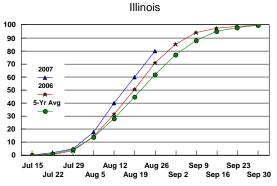
Agricultural Summary

Flooding was reported across the northern part of the state this past week, while the southern part of the state is still seeking rain. A few northern counties were declared disaster areas due to flooding. Various soybean fields throughout the state are showing signs of sudden death syndrome. Some corn fields in the northern part of the state were downed due to winds in excess of 70 mph. Temperatures this past week averaged nearly 5 degrees above normal. There were 3.9 days suitable for field work. Topsoil moisture was rated 23 percent very short, 25 percent short, 33 percent adequate, and 19 percent surplus. Corn dent reached 80 percent, compared to 71 percent last year and 62 percent for the five-year average. Corn was 17 percent mature, compared to 9 percent in 2006 and the average of 8 percent. Soybeans turning yellow were at 13 percent, ahead of 4 percent last year and the five-year average of 10 percent. Soybeans shedding leaves were at 5 percent, ahead of 1 percent for last year and 2 percent for the five-year average. Producers continue to prepare equipment for harvest and tend to livestock.

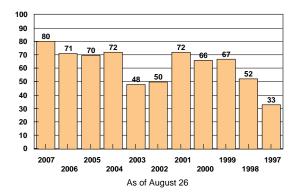
Crop Progress

: Crop Stage	2007		: 5-Year : Average
		August	26
CORN:			
Dough	98	94	93
Dented	80	71	62
Mature	17	9	8
SOYBEANS:			
Setting Pods	98	96	95
Turning Yellow	13	4	10
Shedding Leaves	5	1	2
SORGHUM:			
Headed	99	98	96
Coloring	68	62	56
Mature	16	2	4
ALFALFA:			
Third Cutting	79	90	81

Corn - Percent Dented



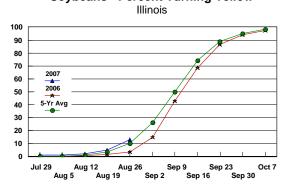
Corn - Percent Dented Illinois



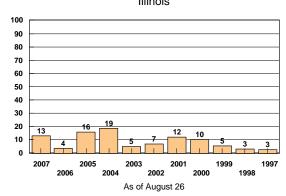
Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork Table

District	: :		: : Very Short :	_	Moisture : Adequate	: Surplus
		August 20 - 26		Au	gust 26	
Northwest		1.0	_	2	37	61
Northeast		0.1	_	_	5	95
West		3.9	8	48	37	7
Central		3.5	5	26	66	3
East		3.1	4	24	55	17
W Southwest		6.4	39	50	11	-
E Southeast		6.0	41	29	29	1
Southwest		6.7	100	_	_	-
Southeast		7.0	100	-	-	-
State		3.9	23	25	33	19

Soybeans - Percent Turning Yellow



Soybeans - Percent Turning Yellow Illinois



Crop Conditions

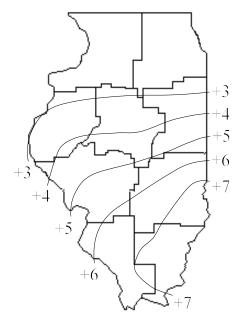
Crop	: Very Poor :	Poor	 : Fair :	Good	: Excellent
			August 26		
Corn	3	6	19	50	22
Soybeans	7	10	30	41	12
Sorghum	16	19	39	25	1
Pasture	21	24	26	26	3

Crop Progress by Districts

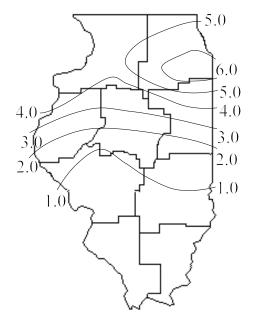
District	: : :	Corn Dent	: : :	Corn Mature	: : :	Soybeans Turning Yellow	: : :	Soybeans Shedding Leaves
				7	August	26		
Northwest		67		8		7		2
Northeast		75		5		2		1
West		85		7		4		1
Central		90		26		17		9
East		69		7		17		1
W Southwest		82		23		7		3
E Southeast		89		28		19		12
Southwest		92		62		27		12
Southeast		99		48		29		11
State		80		17		13		5

Weather Information Table

District	 :	Temperature			 :	11001110001011			on	
DISTITUT		Average	:	Normal :	Departure	•		:	Normal:	Departure
	:				August	20	- 26			
Northwest	:	73.7		71.1	2.6		4.24		0.95	3.29
Northeast	:	73.7		71.4	2.4		5.58		0.86	4.73
West	:	77.2		73.7	3.5		2.92		0.59	2.33
Central	:	76.7		72.9	3.8		3.00		0.68	2.32
East	:	76.8		72.2	4.6		3.80		0.72	3.08
W Southwest	:	79.7		74.5	5.2		0.79		0.62	0.17
E Southeast	:	81.1		74.4	6.7		0.92		0.62	0.30
Southwest	:	82.4		75.8	6.6		0.64		0.63	0.01
Southeast	:	83.3		75.9	7.4		0.56		0.62	-0.05
State	:	78.1		73.4	4.7		2.53		0.70	1.83



Temperature (°F) Departure August 20 - 26



Precipitation (in.) Total August 20 - 26

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